

**State Commission on Juvenile Justice
Meeting Minutes**

July 24, 2008, 10:00am – 3:00pm
4241 Williamsborough Drive, Room 206
Sacramento, CA 95823

Commission Members in Attendance

Bernard Warner
Penelope Clarke
Don Meyer
Sue Cline
Greg Ahern
Jim Salio
Javier Stauring
Kurt Kumli
David Steinhart
William Arroyo
Charlene Reid

Others in Attendance

Chris Murray
Rob Wallace
Karen Hennigan
Bill Luchansky
Tim Croisdale
Eleanor Silva
Oscar Villegas
Rosa Rosales
Jernica Peters
Suzie Cohen
Nicole Woodman

The meeting was facilitated by Bernard Warner, Tri-Chair. Mr. Warner called the meeting to order, and called roll to establish a quorum.

Meeting Minutes of June 26, 2008

The minutes from the June meeting were reviewed. A motion was made to adopt the minutes. Mr. Warner called for all those in favor of the proposed motion. All members were in favor. The motion was adopted.

Future Meeting Locations

The members discussed holding a future meeting in Southern California to better accommodate stakeholders and the public. Members made suggestions and discussed possible locations for the September meeting. A motion was made to have the meeting in Los Angeles in September. Mr. Warner called for all those in favor of the proposed motion. All members were in favor. The motion was adopted.

The members also discussed whether or not they would be able to attend the August meeting without a current State Budget in place. It was decided to proceed with the August meeting.

SB81 / AB191 Implementation Update

Eleanor Silva, Intake and Court Services

Eleanor provided the most recent data on the non-707(b) population within DJJ Facilities and on DJJ Parole and their anticipated release dates. She also gave an update on the number of youth that have been released from DJJ since September 2007, and the method of release.

Common Data Elements/Data Collection

A panel of subject matter experts with research backgrounds attended to discuss how to identify the kinds of data elements that are common to all jurisdictions, which would support the overall direction of the Juvenile Justice Operational Master Plan. The panel was comprised of the following people:

Karen Hennigan, Christopher Murray and Associates/Center for Research on Crime, University of Southern California

Bill Luchansky, Looking Glass Analytics

Tim Croisdale, Department of Justice

Robert Wallis, Yolo County Probation Department

The panel of experts provided insight to the members on the following issues:

- The need to have a centralized data system
- Matching common data collection to outcome information and how that information could result in budget increases for programs due to being able to show effectiveness
- The current status of information sharing systems in California
- Examples of current data collection systems and their effectiveness
- Areas of data sharing for day to day issues and data driven decision making
- The value of data collection at the local level
- Augmenting the Juvenile Court and Probation Statistical System (JCPSS) to include the information that would be desired at the state level
- Creating a new data warehouse at the state level that will take data from the counties existing systems in a standardized format rather than creating a new information systems at the state level
- Combining different systems – using and analyzing that information to provide outcome measures and data that can be used to make decisions
- Management reporting and reporting issues
- Identifying data elements that need to be collected
- The current infrastructure of JCPSS

The members discussed the following issues with respect to developing the Juvenile Justice Operational Master Plan:

- What information needs to be shared among the county systems
- Look at sharing information within counties to allow for more connectivity
- The reliability of data that is collected and how it is entered
- The concern of collecting different types of data due to different definitions
- The infrastructure that is needed to support data collection
- Lessons that can be learned from current data collection systems
- Developing a system that captures statistical information as opposed to offender identity information
- The need to develop outcomes and collect data around those outcomes to determine the effectiveness of the juvenile justice system
- Identify the need for collecting data to ensure appropriate funding for service delivery
- Developing outcome measures that relate to the Restorative Justice Model
- Prevention and intervention as a component of the Report

Roundtable

A motion was made to invite a representative from the Little Hoover Commission to the next meeting to discuss the recommendations made in the recent report. Mr. Warner called for all those in favor of the proposed motion. All members were in favor. The motion was adopted.

Closing Remarks

All Commission members agreed to hold the next meeting on August 28, 2008, at the Division of Juvenile Justice Headquarters, Room 206, in Sacramento. The facilitator of the next meeting will be Tri-chair, Penelope Clarke. Suggested topics for the next meeting include: an overview of data elements, discussion on the recommendations made by the Little Hoover Commission, information regarding Direct File cases, an update on the State Advisory Committee on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention and an SB81 /AB191 Implementation update.